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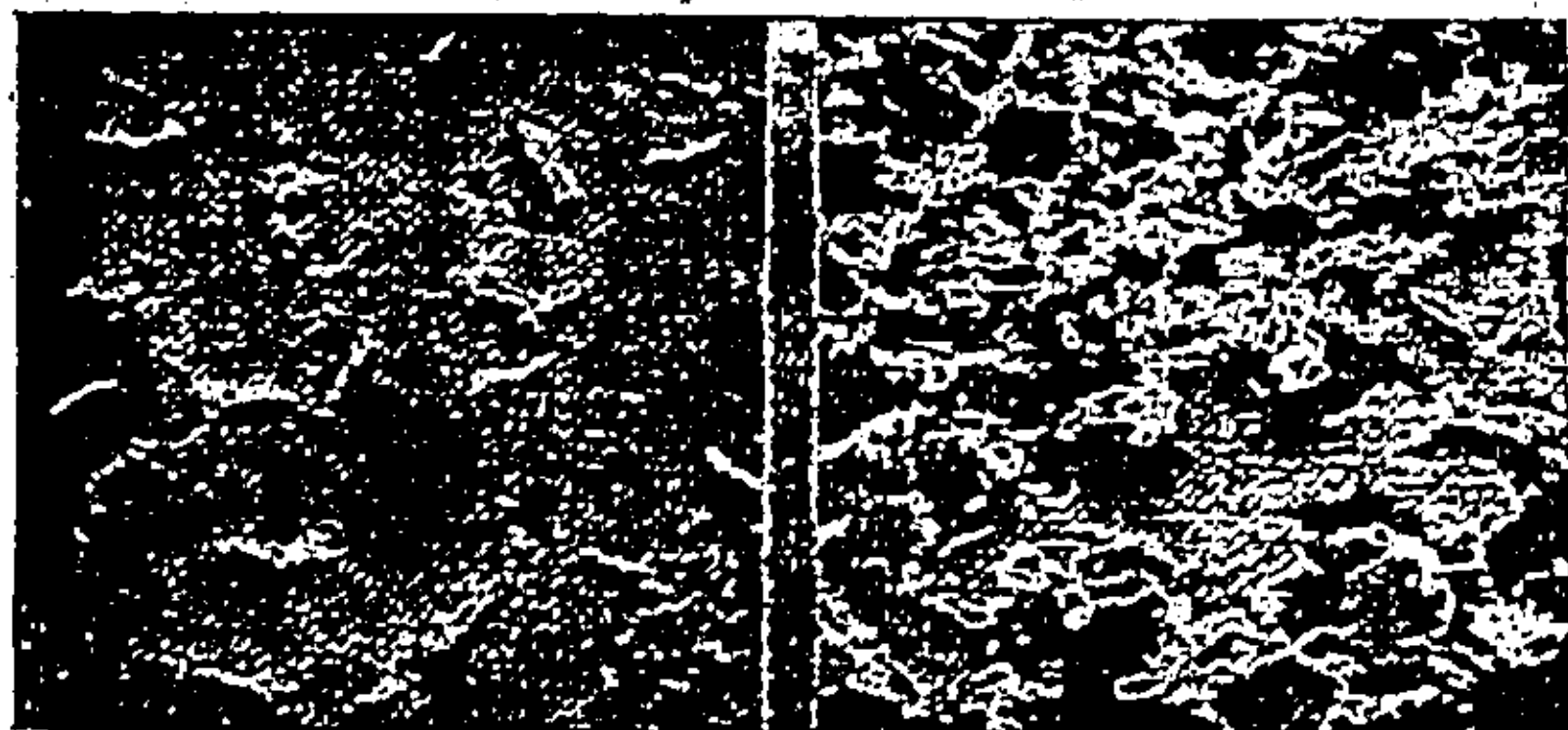
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THE ISLE OF PINES TREATY
DISCUSSED.

The *Times* Washington correspondent,
in an article published in that paper
on March 17th, wrote:—

The treaty under which the United
States relinquishes all claim of title to
the Isle of Pines in favour of the Re-
public of Cuba, which was ratified on
March 13th by the Senate, was negoti-
ated and signed at Washington on March
2nd, 1904, by Mr. John Hay, as Secre-
tary of State, and Señor Gonzalo de
Quesada, as Cuban Minister.

It had been three times favourably re-
ported by the Senate Foreign Relations
Committee—on February 1st, 1903, on
December 7th, 1902, and on February
15th, 1904. It had never ceased to have
the approval of the State Department,
which, under Mr. Hay and all his suc-
cessors, has steadily maintained that the
Isle of Pines was historically and geo-
graphically a part of Cuba. It was further
supported by the decision of the United
States Supreme Court in the case of *Pearcy v.*
Stranahan, handed down in April, 1907,
in which it was held that the Isle of
Pines was an integral part of Cuba, and
to be regarded for tariff purposes as
foreign territory. The Senate, for 21
years, cared for none of these things. A
treaty going before that body, Mr. Hay
once said, is like a bull going into the
arena; no one can say just how or when
the final blow will fall, but one thing is
certain: it will never leave the arena
alive. It has taken almost a generation
to prove him, in this minor instance,
wrong.

The Isle of Pines lies in the Caribbean
Sea, near the south-western part of
Cuba, from which it is separated by 55
miles of shoal water. It has an area of
865 square miles, a census taken in 1919
showed a total population of 4,358, and
the cultivation of early grape fruit and
winter vegetables is the business of prac-
tically all its inhabitants. Numerous
development companies were formed in
the United States at the close of the
Spanish-American War, and these bought
title to most of the land in the Isle of
Pines, and resold it in small tracts to
investors. It is estimated to-day that
10,000 Americans hold nine-tenths of the
area of the island, though only 700 live
there on farms of five to ten acres only.

American property-owners were, natu-
rally, the backbone of the opposition to
the treaty, and at various times they
had proposed the purchase of the island
by the United States, though it had never
appeared probable that Cuba would
agree to sell. Their fear of an impair-
ment of their interests if all claim of
national title should be definitely re-
nounced by the United States would have
had a large justification if they had
not lived in sufficient prosperity under
Cuban jurisdiction since 1902, and if the
present treaty did not expressly provide
that they should "suffer no diminution
of the rights and privileges which they
have acquired prior to the date of ex-
change of ratifications of this treaty." So
far as their immediate status is con-
cerned, therefore, the ratification of the
treaty does nothing to disturb conditions
which have persisted for 23 years.

THE DEFINITE ARGUMENT.

Some use has always been made of the
argument that American sovereignty over
the Isle of Pines was, if not imperative,
at least desirable as part of a general
scheme of national defence. Here, again,
the contention hardly stood the test of
examination. The relations between the
United States and the Republic of Cuba
are stated in the form of an amendment
to the Army Supply Bill of March 2nd,
1901—known as the "Platt amendment"—
which in effect says that the United States
upon which American military forces
would be withdrawn from Cuba. Among
other things, the young Republic was
required to sell or lease to the United
States "lands necessary for coaling or
naval stations at certain specified points,
to be agreed upon with the President of
the United States" in order to "enable
the United States to maintain the inde-
pendence of Cuba, and to protect the
people thereof, as well as for its own
defence." There was never any doubt in
the minds of the American naval experts
as to the relative uselessness of the Isle
of Pines, and on July 2nd, 1903, the Gov-
ernment of Cuba leased to the United
States certain areas of land and water
in Guantanamo and Bahia Honda. What
is more, Article II. of the treaty which
has now been tardily rendered valid set
forth that:—

This relinquishment, on the part of the
United States, of claim of title to the
said Isle of Pines is in consideration of
the grants of coaling stations in the
Island of Cuba heretofore made to the
United States of America by the Re-
public of Cuba.

There was accordingly every reason
that the Senate should promptly honour
the engagement made—save one, the fact
that the mere failure to act constitutes
a negative force, and this power of nega-
tion is jealously guarded by the Upper
Chamber of Congress. A treaty once
ratified becomes part of the law of the
land, it passes for administrative pur-
poses into the hands of the Executive,
and it is henceforth beyond the reach of
the legislative branch of the Government.
While it lies uncompleted on the table,
or while it fills a pigeon-hole in the desk
of the Chairman of the Foreign Relations
Committee, it is at least a point of pos-
sible contact with the world of foreign
affairs, a world into which for a quarter
of a century past the Senate has endeav-
oured to force its way. In the distant
days of John Hay, treaty after treaty
was negotiated, only to fail acceptance
when it reached Congress, and it was the
habit of that admirably but occasionally
frustrated Secretary of State to say that
he was bringing down his grey hair in
vain to the grave. This perhaps it did,
but in the present instance the failure
to set the seal upon a contract with
Cuba has had a wider effect.

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which it exerts in Colombia, San Sal-
vador, and Guatemala, to say nothing
of its always increasing preoccupation
with events and political developments
in Honduras and elsewhere, did not fail
to cause a certain alarm. These Latin-
American anxieties may or may not have
been justified, but while they existed they
were a political fact of the first impor-
tance, and not the least significant of the
movements since President Coolidge came
into office has been the attempt to allay
them.

The ratification of the Isle of Pines
Treaty was not secured without the exer-
tion of a good deal of pressure by the
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of reason, but it was not the flow of
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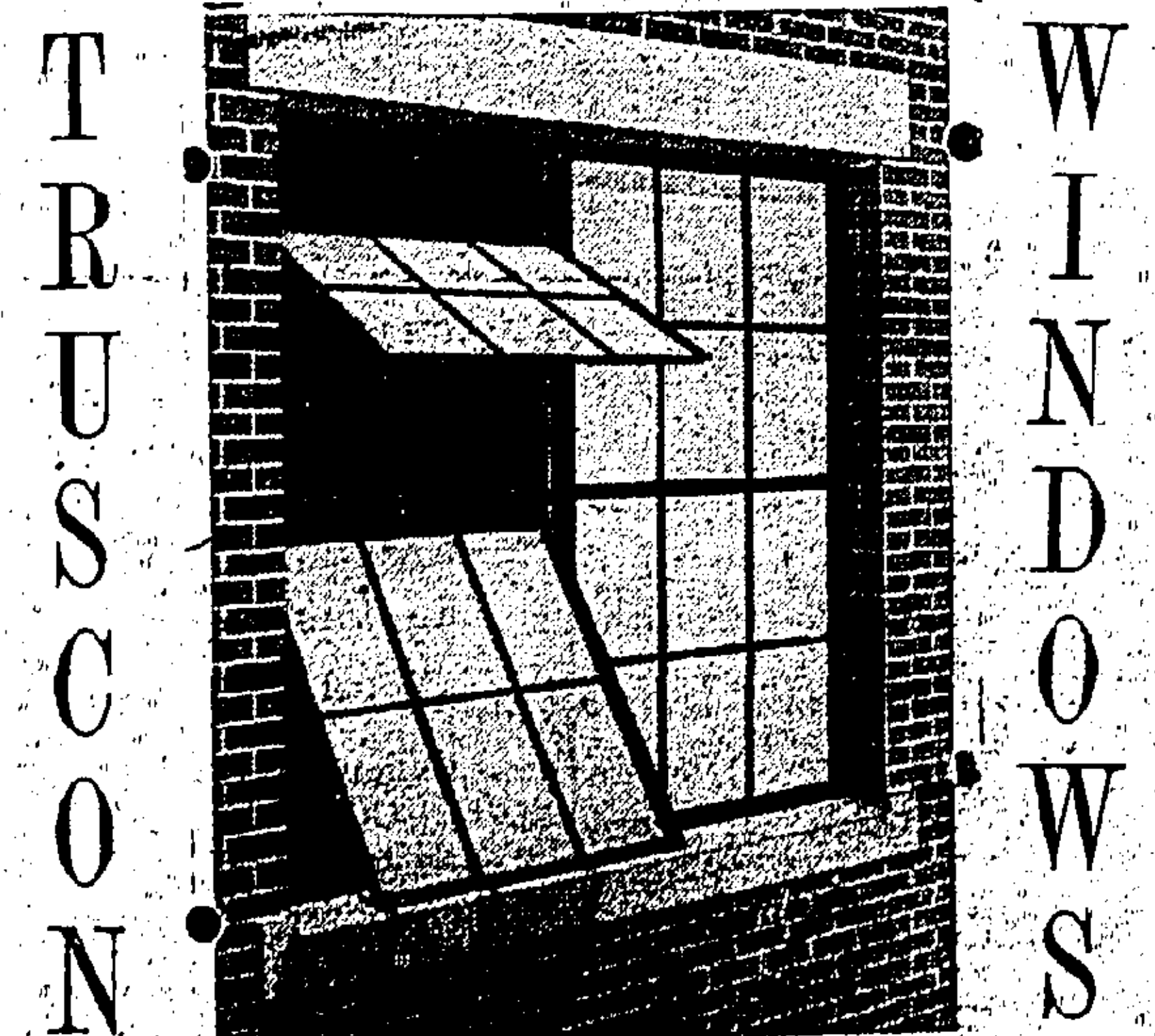
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The Acting Secretary having read the notice convening the meeting, the Chairman said: Gentlemen,—As this report has been in your hands, with your permission I will take it as read. This is the first meeting of the Company and there is very little to report. I will say that the work on the site is already commenced and we expect to continue it with all possible despatch. Negotiations are well along for the purchasing of plant. Only one or two details with regard to extra parts have not been settled yet. That is all there is to report at the present time. If there are any questions to be asked I shall be pleased to answer them, I propose the adoption of the report.

Mr. J. Behar seconded. There were no questions and the report was carried unanimously. There being no further business, this concluded the meeting. Those present were: Mr. M. E. Yung (Chairman); Messrs. H. P. White, G. K. Hall, Brutton, W. Paul Liang, and H. L. Yung (Directors); Mr. J. Behar, and Mr. H. F. Yung (Acting Secretary).

TAX BURDENS.

TRADERS' APPEAL TO MR.
CHURCHILL.

Mr. Churchill, Chancellor of the Exchequer, received at the Treasury recently a deputation from the Association of British Chambers of Commerce on the subject of a reduction in income tax in the interests of the industry. The deputation also urged a return to the penny post.

Mr. Stanley Machin, president of the association, in the course of his speech said:—

The present depressed state of trade, high cost of living, and the deplorable state of unemployment are largely due to the excessive taxation.

When we see other nations taxed to less than half the extent that we are, with no unemployment, competing with increased success in our home markets, and yet, as it seems to us, not fully appreciating the responsibility of their indebtedness to their Allies, we consider we have just cause to complain. Further curtailment of expenditure is absolutely essential. We cannot continue to live beyond our income.

Sir James Martin, vice-president of the London Chamber of Commerce, in his address said:—

Less than 6 per cent. of the population are paying in income tax and super tax 41 per cent. of the revenue.

Heavy income tax and super tax deprive business of a good deal of money which otherwise would be used for development.

High direct taxation also reduces purchasing power, and by this means decreases the demand for commodities, and decreased demand for manufactured goods means a higher cost of production. For the same reason reduced demand must mean reduced employment.

The exemption of the co-operative societies from income tax on trading profits, bank interest, and dividends on investments is unfair to trading competitors.

Mr. Churchill also received a deputation from the National Citizens' Union on the reduction of income tax and other questions.

Mr. Frank E. Searle, vice-chairman of the union, referred to the crushing effect heavy taxation was having on the middle class, the small professional man, and the small trader.

Lady Askwith, chairman of the London Divisional Council, suggested that the present taxation discouraged thrift among women.

HONGKONG SHARE MARKET. CLOSING QUOTATIONS.

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Coments (combined)	\$324 b. 32 1/2 sa.
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YARN MARKET.

Messrs. Polihwalla & Kotwall report an entire absence of any business whatsoever in the yarn market virtually since Chinese New Year. The present unsold stock in first hands is 13,500 bales; bargains in dealers' hands, some 2,000 bales, mostly overdue. There has also been a decline of about \$15 per bale since the Chinese New Year.



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SIR O. LODGE ON SPIRITUAL
AID.

That the reality of the spiritual world was the preamble of all religion was the point maintained by Sir Oliver Lodge in an address at Christ Church, Greyfriars, during the luncheon hour recently. Just as there were grades below us, he said, so there were higher grades going up to the infinite. It might be said that to ask for the intervention of the higher powers in the affairs of life was to ask for miracles. What was a miracle? Some said it was a wonderful event. If so, we had any number of miracles around us. If it meant the intervention of a higher being, miracles could happen in the lower reaches of life. To the cat meowing at the door it might be a miracle in answer to prayer when it was let out. Sometimes, without any consciousness that there was a higher being, a miracle happened. In his outdoor shelter the other day a bumblebee came in and buzzed about. He set it free to go on its way, not knowing or caring that a miracle had happened to it. So in trivial instances higher beings could help the lower; sometimes because they asked and sometimes without their knowing at all. He thought that both these kinds of help came to us.

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BANK OF ENGLAND RATE. CHANCELLOR OF THE EXCHEQUER QUESTIONED IN PARLIAMENT.

In the House of Commons on March 14th (Mr. Churchill, Chancellor of the Exchequer) answered several questions with regard to the Bank rate. He said there seemed to be a general anticipation that, in view of the increase in the market rates which had been in operation since Friday, the Bank rate would now be raised. It was a matter for the decision of the Bank. It was not the practice for the Treasury to be formally consulted in these matters.

Mr. SNOWDEN (Lab.-Soc., Colne Valley) asked the Chancellor of the Exchequer whether a rise in the Bank rate was contemplated, and if so, whether the Government had taken into account the effect on trade.

Mr. CHURCHILL: There seems to be a general anticipation that, in view of the increase in the market rates which has been in operation since Friday, the Bank rate will now be raised. This is a matter for the decision of the Bank, whose duty it is to take into consideration all relevant factors including those mentioned by the right hon. gentleman.

Mr. SNOWDEN: While this is a matter directly in the hands of the Bank of England, may I ask whether the Treasury has been consulted in view of the grave importance of this question and its effects, for good or evil, on trade and the financial position of the country? Have the Treasury approved of this course?

Mr. CHURCHILL: The right hon. gentleman knows perfectly well that it is not the practice for the Treasury to be formally consulted in these matters. The Treasury is naturally in close touch with the Bank of England, and I should certainly not suggest that the Chancellor of the Exchequer are not fully aware of the general tendency of the policy pursued by the bank, but nothing of the nature of formal consultation is usual, or necessary, and nothing of the nature of formal consultation has taken place on this occasion.

Mr. SNOWDEN: Is this step being taken with the approval of the Treasury? Mr. CHURCHILL: I think it would be an inconvenient practice if the Chancellor of the Exchequer were to set a precedent for expressing approval or disapproval of steps taken by the Bank of England.

Mr. BALFOUR (C., Hampstead): Is it not a fact that in the past it has always been the case that the Bank rate has advanced in times of prosperity, and that we have had a low rate in times of depression?

Mr. CHURCHILL: I have not made the statistical inquiry which would enable me to give a full answer to that question. Colonel WOODWARD (Lab.-Soc., Newcastle-under-Lyme): May I ask whether it was not the rumour that the Bank rate was going up to-morrow that started this rise in money, and whether, so long as we are off the gold standard, it is not a question for the Government, as well as for the bank, what the rate is to be?

Mr. CHURCHILL: I can see great difficulty in discussing matters of this extraordinary complexity at the end of question time. I certainly admit that they are matters which may well be the subject of Parliamentary discussion on some of the opportunities which the finance of the year affords.

Mr. MAXTON (Lab.-Soc., Bridgeton): May I ask what burden this change will cast upon the Treasury?

Mr. CHURCHILL: It would be impossible to estimate what burden would be cast upon the Treasury unless you consider also the possible burden which adopting any other course would cast upon the Treasury.

ECLIPSE OF BRITISH SPORTS. MR. L. J. MAXSE ON THE EFFECT OF GOLF.

The *National Review* for March contains the following in its notes, which, as is well known, are written by Mr. L. J. Maxse, its editor:—

Golfers indignantly repudiate the suggestion that the eclipse of England in many international sports and pastimes is in any way ascribable to the rise and spread of their favourite hobby.

But they have some awkward facts to explain away. In the first place, the date of our relative decline in international competition coincides with the time when the British Press went golf mad, and began treating "putting" as a main duty of man, and made popular heroes of leading golfing professionals.

Indeed, we have never been quite the same country since at more active and athletic games and the chief bone of recovery would appear to lie in our golfers catching the same infection as we are glad to hear is the case with the Americans, who are said to have lately "gone dotty" on golf, with every prospect of ultimately polling their lawn tennis.

A second suggestive fact is that the only two nations who now-a-days can put up a serious fight for the Davis Cup against the United States are Australia and France, in both of which we believe the younger generation concentrate on running games and eschew the great walking game.

As a result, whereas since the war which was at one time regarded as a comprehensive explanation—England has produced very few first-rate tennis players, both France and Australia possess brilliant, and even wonderful post-war players, only second to the American holders.

Indeed, it is doubtful if the Australians are second, could they arrange to put their best team in the field, viz., Mr. J. O. Anderson, Mr. G. L. Patterson, Mr. O'Hara Wood, and Mr. J. J. Hawkes, as there is some prospect of their doing this year. We should be amazed to learn that any of these great players consecrate their week-ends to "putting."

DR. SCHURMAN'S FAREWELL — NEED OF ANGLO-AMERICAN CO-OPERATION.

INSISTENCE UPON TREATY
RIGHTS BEING MAINTAINED.

Dr. Jacob Gould Schurman, the American Minister, who left Peking on Wednesday to take up his new post in Berlin, was the guest of the Anglo-American Association at a farewell dinner given at the Grand Hotel des Wagons-Lits on April 15th.

The gathering, which was unusually large one, was presided over by Mr. H. B. Fox, who, in a neat speech, on behalf of the Association, expressed sincere regret at Dr. Schurman's departure and offered to him and to his family united good wishes on their journey. Referring to Dr. Schurman's surprising youthfulness and to the spirit of persistent inquiry that characterized him, Mr. Fox said he felt that their guest might well adopt for himself the Latin motto: "I am a man, and nothing pertaining to the human race is foreign to me." He hoped that Dr. Schurman's thoughts would sometimes turn back to Peking.

DR. SCHURMAN'S REPLY.

Replying, Dr. SCHURMAN gracefully returned thanks for "the generous and kindly speech of my enthusiastic young friend, your Chairman," and for the honour done him by the Association in giving him a farewell dinner. Going on to speak of Anglo-American co-operation in China, Dr. Schurman said that from the material basis of their national lives to their spiritual apex the national structure of both nations was pretty much the same. "If that were so, and if their interests in China were essentially the same, they must have a common policy. That common policy, as he conceived it, was based primarily on their interests and, secondly, on their regard for China and their sympathetic goodwill towards China."

OPEN DOOR AND EQUAL OPPORTUNITY.

Dr. SCHURMAN said that the first element in their policy was equality. They did not ask for any exclusive privileges for themselves, and wanted none also to give them. It was true that there was competition between Britons and Americans here, as in other parts of the world, but that was honourable competition. They (the Americans) did not, however, want any nation to set up any artificial advantages. They believed in fair play and in the best man winning, and they did not envy the victor under other conditions than these.

INSISTENCE UPON TREATY RIGHTS.

There was also a duty, Dr. Schurman went on to say, those who were engaged in altruistic work out here—missionaries, teachers and medical men—and this introduced the second element of their policy, insistence upon treaty rights.

The third element of their common policy was, he said, studious regard for the sovereignty of China, non-interference with domestic interests which belong exclusively to China as a sovereign nation. That, said Dr. Schurman, pointing to the recent fish boycott in Foochow as a moral to adorn his tale, was not infrequently more difficult to carry out than it sounded.

DESIRE FOR STABLE GOVERNMENT.

Their common aim to see established a stable and effective Government in China was, Dr. Schurman, believed, the fourth factor in their common policy, and was a prerequisite of the other elements he had mentioned. Turning to the broader field of international co-operation, he said that they had here the common interests of promoting peace and righteousness, and anything which would amount to a criminal bankruptcy of statesmanship. It was their manifest destiny to go on to promote justice and unity and the highest objects of civilization.

CINEMA NOTES.

WORLD THEATRE.

A human dynamo, is the name applied to Johnny Hines, the screen comedian. The reason is seen in his acting, especially in his Little Johnny Jones, his latest film, a screen version of George M. Cohan's play. He has managed to put more vigour and speed into the situations in this rollicking play than one could imagine possible. It is a Warner Brothers production, and is playing at the World Theatre for two more days only. For the first time in their distinguished careers, Alma Rubens and Conrad Nagel have been starred together. They will be seen in "The Rejected Woman," which comes to the World Theatre on Sunday next for four days' run.

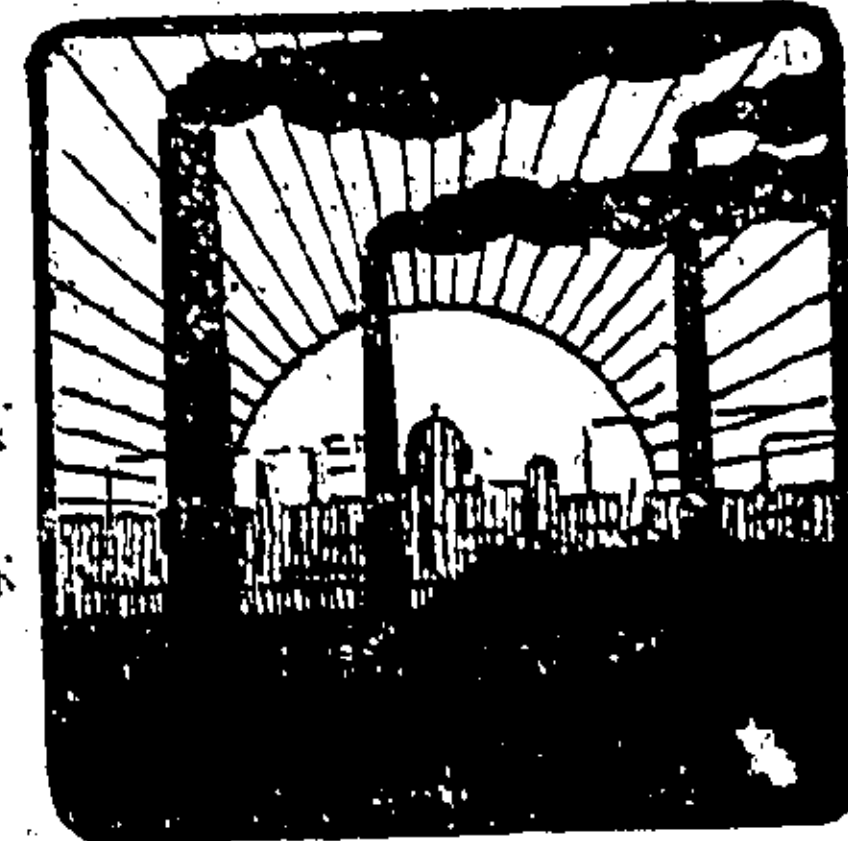
QUEEN'S THEATRE.

"Camille," the Nazimova production which will commence to-day at the Queen's Theatre, where it is to be shown for 4 days, has been modernized for the screen in an adaptation by June Mathis, who wrote the continuity for the Rex Ingram production for Metro of "The Four Horsemen of the Apocalypse" and "The Conquering Power." In playing the Dumas heroine, Nazimova follows the tradition that has led nearly all of the great actresses to give it a place in their repertoire; the tradition of Bernhardt, Eleonora Duse, Clara Morris, Rejane, Modjeska, Laura Keane, Olga, Netherland and Ethel Barrymore.

The story is about a young Parisian law student, Armand Duval, who loves Marguerite Gautier, known as Camille, a notorious, beautiful woman who abandons her Parisian haunts and decides to live simply and anxiously with him. Armand's father, anxious for the family honour, prevails on her to leave him. Camille consents, returns to her cabaret night life, but is deserted by her friends when illness attacks her. Slowly she sinks to poverty and neglect and at last dies, happy in the thought that she has saved Armand from ruining his chances of a career. Before she dies, Armand has learned of the sacrifice she made for him. Nazimova is supported by Rudolph Valentino and a strong cast.

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WORLD THEATRE.

FAMINE CONDITIONS IN CHINA.

THE SITUATION IN SHENSI PROVINCE.

The China International Famine Relief Commission, Peking, write:—

While several provinces are suffering from the effects of the abnormal rainfall of last summer, which caused serious floods and a resulting state of famine, reports from other interior points indicate that famine conditions exist in neighbouring areas from quite different reasons. A report which has just been received by the Head Office of the China International Famine Relief Commission from Shensi recounts severe distress in ten provinces in the northern part of the province due to drought, and another report in the same mail shows that in Kweichow province, due to the excess soldiery and extensive cultivation of opium, there is already a serious food shortage and it is more than five months to the next harvest.

An investigation of actual conditions in North Shensi is now under way under the leadership of Mr. Paul L. Gorham of Shansi who has established headquarters for the investigation party at Sui Teh. Quotations from his last report follow:—

"I am still unable to announce to you the completion of the survey of the ten shens in this area. This is due not only to the magnitude of the task, but also to some of the physical factors involved. Travel throughout the entire region must be by pack-animal or on foot. Some of the centres from which the workers have gone out in making the survey are 30 or 50 li from the nearest post office or postal agency. Even some district cities in this area have mail service only every five days."

"However, at the beginning of this month I think it best to send you the results of our investigation up to date, as now every day's delay in beginning relief brings us nearer to serious disaster. Out of seventy reports from nine shens we have received up to last night fifty-three reports. These fifty-three reports have been tabulated as they have come in and we find that there are a total of 108,000 persons in our Classes I, II, III, IV, V, VI, VII, VIII, IX, X, XI, XII, XIII, XIV, XV, XVI, XVII, XVIII, XIX, XX, XXI, XXII, XXIII, XXIV, XXV, XXVI, XXVII, XXVIII, XXIX, XXX, XXXI, XXXII, XXXIII, XXXIV, XXXV, XXXVI, XXXVII, XXXVIII, XXXIX, XL, XLI, XLII, XLIII, XLIV, XLV, XLVI, XLVII, XLVIII, XLIX, L, LI, LII, LIII, LIV, LV, LVI, LVII, LVIII, LVIX, LX, LXI, LXII, LXIII, LXIV, LXV, LXVI, LXVII, LXVIII, LXIX, LXX, LXXI, LXXII, LXXIII, LXXIV, LXXV, LXXVI, LXXVII, LXXVIII, LXXIX, LXXX, LXXXI, LXXXII, LXXXIII, LXXXIV, LXXXV, LXXXVI, LXXXVII, LXXXVIII, LXXXIX, XL, XLI, XLII, XLIII, XLIV, XLV, XLVI, XLVII, XLVIII, XLIX, L, LI, LII, LIII, LIV, LV, LVI, LVII, LVIII, LVIX, LX, LXI, LXII, LXIII, LXIV, LXV, LXVI, LXVII, LXVIII, LXIX, LXX, LXXI, LXXII, LXXIII, LXXIV, LXXV, LXXVI, LXXVII, LXXVIII, LXXIX, LXXX, LXXXI, LXXXII, LXXXIII, LXXXIV, LXXXV, LXXXVI, LXXXVII, LXXXVIII, LXXXIX, XL, 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AVIATION TRAGEDY.

PILOT GIVES EVIDENCE AT CHAW ENQUIRY.

Mr. E. W. Hamilton, sitting as Coroner at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday, re-opened the enquiry into the circumstances surrounding the death of Mr. Reginald Earnshaw, who was drowned as the result of making a parachute jump from an aeroplane at the inaugural meeting of the Abbot School of Aviation.

A new Jury was sworn, and comprised: Messrs. R. A. Westley (foreman), G. Torres and June.

His Worship read the evidence taken at the previous hearing, and then called upon Mr. H. W. Abbott to give evidence.

His Worship: I think you have been flying for some years?—One and a half years.

Have you a pilot's certificate?—Yes, Sir. A Club Pilot Certificate.

You are a partner in the Abbot School of Aviation?—Yes, managing-director.

Is it a limited company or not?—No.

Not registered?—No.

When you were about to give this inaugural demonstration did you submit your programme to the police?—No, but it was advertised in the newspapers.

Did you see the Captain Superintendent of Police in order to get permission to do this?—No.

Did you get permission for the special parachute jump?—No, although people knew what was being done.

Had the late Mr. Earnshaw done this jump before?—Yes, in Manila.

Was it successful or not?—Yes, it was.

There was a suggestion that Mr. Earnshaw only did this jump because certain people in the Colony said he had not the pluck to do it?—That might be so.

THE MOTOR BOAT.

What was intended to be done?—We were 2,500 feet up and Mr. Earnshaw intended to land on the Reclamation Ground. We made several circles around, and then Mr. Earnshaw jumped and it looked as though he would drop on the Reclamation Ground. I stopped the motor for a moment and we were then just over the edge of the Reclamation Ground. I was doing about 40 miles at the time. Everything went according to plan, though at the time he jumped I felt that he was going to land in the water, but as arrangements had been made with the motor-boat company I thought everything would be ready and that nothing would happen.

When the body was found, there was no doubt that the belt had not been undone?—Yes.

I saw him throw something away and I thought he was preparing to swim to land.

Can you account for the accident in any way?—No, the only people I blame are the motor-boat people. They ought to have been there.

We have not the evidence of the coxswain. Where is he?

Witness: I understand that Earnshaw personally saw Mr. George Bing about the matter of the motor-boat.

Inspector Angus: The coxswain and the crew of the motor-boat seem to have left the Colony.

His Worship: Have you seen people come down into the sea by parachute?—Yes, I have come down myself five or six times in the sea. A man would land feet first and I don't think it would be possible for him to be knocked out in landing. Of course, a lot depends upon the atmospheric conditions. Earnshaw told me that he felt quite fit for the jump and just before he jumped I said "Good luck" to him, and away he went.

Have you got permission to fly here?—Yes, from the Captain Superintendent of Police, Mr. Wolfe.

Mr. George Gunter was then called and said he was the President of the Abbot School of Aviation. It was not a limited company, but a private concern and he understood that they were to carry passengers.

His Worship: How does this carrying of passengers stand with the police? Have you got permission?—Yes, I do. We have seen the Assistant Secretary for Chinese Affairs and he said permission was not necessary.

"A NOTE OF WARNING."

His Worship: It seems to me you should have permission. If there is another accident it will, of course, come to me, and I would like you to get permission. Of course, there is no question of that in this case, but as you are a company to carry passengers you ought to get some kind of permission. I am only striking a note of warning.

Witness: Before Mr. Earnshaw went up I had a little chat with him and he seemed to be quite all right. I asked him to postpone the jump as there were several passengers who wanted to fly. He said he thought it would be better to carry on.

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SUPREME COURT.

WHEN A GODOWN IS LEGALLY A TENEMENT.

A Full Court decision given in the Supreme Court by the Chief Justice, Sir Henry Gollan, and Mr. Justice Gompertz was that a godown became a domestic tenement when the number of foks sleeping on the premises was sufficient to make the place substantially of a residential character. This was the basis of the judgment in respect of the case in which Yuen Fook Yam appealed from a Summary Jurisdiction refusal to make an order for possession in his favour in respect of the premises, No. 4, Sai On Lane, occupied by the Choi Kee firm.

Mr. Eldon Potter, K.C., appeared for the plaintiff-appellants, and Mr. F. C. Jenkin appeared for the defendants.

In giving judgment, Sir Henry Gollan said the facts were that the premises had been occupied by defendants for the past 30 years, and that 18 foks slept on the premises and had their food there.

The appeal was dismissed with costs.

"PROPHYLACTIC."

ALLEGED INFRINGEMENT OF TRADE MARK.

Before Mr. J. R. Wood at the Central Magistracy yesterday afternoon, the case against the Tai Yau Company in connection with the alleged infringement of the "Prophylactic" tooth-brush trade mark, was continued.

Mr. Hugh Jones appeared for complainants, and Mr. M. K. Lo represented the defendants.

It was alleged that the Tai Yau Company sold one "Protector" tooth-brush and one "Prophylactic" tooth-brush, to both of which false trade descriptions had been applied, on April 1st.

On the date in question, the police executed a search warrant at the Tai Yau Company's premises, and seized 63 tooth-brushes.

Mr. Lo submitted that there was no case for him to answer, and that the alleged false trade description had not been disclosed.

A representative of the agents in Hongkong of the "Prophylactic" tooth-brush manufacturers stated that his firm had been agents for this tooth-brush for eight or nine years. He first heard that the "Protector" tooth-brush was being sold in Hongkong about a year ago.

In answer to Mr. Lo, witness said he could not say that any statement, communication or description on the "Protector" tooth-brush box was false.

The secretary of the Tai Yau Company stated that his firm purchased six dozen "Protector" brushes last year and paid \$5.50 per dozen for them. They had also purchased some "Prophylactic" brushes at \$6 per dozen. The "Protector" brushes were bought from Choi Kee. He had no idea there was anything wrong in selling these brushes.

In answer to Mr. Jones, witness said that his company had only dealt with goods that could be obtained at other stores.

Mr. Jones: You think that because another firm have infringed a trade mark you can do so?

Witness replied to the effect that he did not know.

Mr. Jones: It did not occur to you that the "Prophylactic" tooth-brush and the "Protector" tooth-brush were very much alike?

Witness: I thought they were made by two different people.

His Worship adjourned the case until tomorrow morning, intimating that he would give his decision then.

Did you hear people say that Mr. Earnshaw had done this jump in Manila? It seems to me there was a doubt as to whether Earnshaw did make this jump in Manila. Did you ever see a parachute jump before this one?—No.

Did you know anything about the boat?—No, I understood that Earnshaw had made the necessary arrangements.

Sergeant L. S. Simpson then gave evidence and said that about 3.30 p.m. on the day in question he saw Mr. Earnshaw and saw him get into the aeroplane. He saw him come down in a parachute and in about two and a half minutes after Mr. Earnshaw hit the water, witness got to the spot by a motor-cycle, but there was nothing to be seen at all. Mr. Earnshaw was gone by the time the motor-boat went on the rocks.

His Worship: Did you speak to Mr. Earnshaw before he went up?—Yes, and he said there were people in Hongkong, who said he had not got the pluck to do it and that he would show them that he would do it. He was a perfectly fit man.

His Worship adjourned the enquiry until next Tuesday afternoon.

A SPORTING MATCH.

NAVAL OFFICER'S WIFE CHALLENGES HUSBAND.

(BY ARGUS.)

News that Mrs. Bower, wife of Commander Bower of H.M.S. *Amphibose* had matched her pony Dark Mouse against her husband's hack Egbert, to race over the six-furlong course at Happy Valley, attracted me to the race-course last evening.

The terms of the match were that Dark Mouse was to carry 10st. 4lbs. and Egbert 10st. It was announced that Mrs. Bower was to ride her own pony, while Lieut. Comdr. Thompson was to have the mount on Egbert.

On arrival at the race-course at 3.15 p.m., I found both ponies were already there, as was one spectator from the Fleet.

Shortly before the time advertised, Mrs. Bower arrived in company with a naval officer, weighing nearer 12st. than 10st.

The ponies were duly mounted and taken at a walk to the neighbourhood of the 5 furlong post, where the riders met a party of athletes on their way for a training run, preparatory to Saturday's athletic meeting.

One of these gentlemen, apparently, was prevailed upon to act as starter. At any rate, he lined the ponies up in truly "Hall-Brutton style" and despatched them to a capital start.

Dark Mouse was soon in front and held a commanding lead as far as the 1 1/2 mile post, when Egbert closed up. Dark Mouse led round the bend for home and passed the winning post, all out, a bare length to the good. Time 1.31.1-5.

Whether yesterday's spin was merely a trial gallop, is immaterial. The fact remains that the spectators, who went to Happy Valley to see a sporting match, were not disappointed and left the race-course with as much money as they took there. If the local Stewards give permission to ladies to ride in the races—as they do in England—our G.R.s. will have to look out for some keen competition.

LOVE AND MONEY LOST.

AGE-OLD TALE IN A CHINESE SETTING.

The story of a Chinese flower's unrequited affection was brought to Hongkong yesterday when the *s.s. Lung Shan* arrived.

If it appears that while the vessel was in Canton Harbour, prior to leaving for Hongkong on Wednesday night, a Chinese, named Kap Sam Lo (meaning "thirteenth son"), jumped into the harbour and was drowned. He left behind him a handkerchief on which was written in Chinese characters the reason why he had committed suicide. From this message it seems that the man had been very much in love with a Chinese girl, on whom he had spent a considerable amount of his money. Unfortunately, she did not return his affection and so he decided to cut short his life.

HONGKONG ANGLING CLUB.

The Hongkong Angling Club is arranging to hold a Salt Water Competition next month. The exact place where the competition will be held will be fixed later, when the Committee are satisfied that the prospect of a catch is good. The place will be within the harbour limits; the probable time will be between 3 p.m. and midnight. Competitors are to be allowed one line each—rod or hand-line may be used. Mr. E. B. C. Hornell is secretary of the Club.

POLICE COURT ITEMS.

Before Lieut. Comdr. G. F. Hole, R.N., at the Marine Court yesterday, a cargo boat mistress was fined \$5, with five days' hard labour in default for anchoring her boat in the Southern Fairway and causing an obstruction.

At the Marine Court yesterday, before Lieut. Comdr. G. F. Hole, R.N., the master of a cargo boat pleaded guilty to failing to exhibit the proper regulation lights on board his vessel, and was fined \$15, with the alternative of two weeks' hard labour.

R.A.O.B. CHURCH PARADE.

There will be a Church Parade on Sunday next of the Royal Antediluvian Order of Buffaloes. Members are invited to be at the Dockyard gates at 5.15 p.m., so as to be ready to move off at 5.25 p.m. The bands of H.M. ships *Durban* and *Dejantch* will be in attendance. The service will be held at the St. John's Cathedral at 8 p.m.

CANTON NEWS.

(FROM OUR CHINESE CORRESPONDENT.)

"PATRIARCHAL POWER" TO END A STRIKE.

Patriarchal power, exceedingly influential in olden times in China, is to be used in the silk centres around Canton to combat modern organized labour, at present directed by Bolshevists connected with the ruling party in the capital of Kwangtung. To end the strike of the 230,000 girls ordinarily employed in reeling for the several hundred filatures around Canton, some village elders have proposed in their village councils that parents, fathers or brothers failing to persuade their daughters or sisters to return to work will be denied their shares of clan ration, usually consisting of a pot of pork accompanied by a couple of pieces of wheat cake, distributed from ancestral temples on festival occasions. It is not that the people actually need the food; but tremendous significance attaches to the custom. To a villager, to be denied his clan or family ration is a serious matter, something corresponding to the taking away of one's civil rights in modern law. Strikes in the filatures naturally affect many other lines. Farmers planting mulberry trees to feed the silk worms, persons raising cocoons, and native banks financing the foregoing industries hoping for a successful season and good prices at the market for their returns, are all involved in the present stoppage of work in the filatures. The exact number of persons and filatures concerned in the present strike is not definitely known, but in the Nanhai and Shantou districts alone, some 178 larger filatures employing more than 100,000 reelers are involved. In addition to the dark outlook to the farmers and bankers supplying the many filatures, thousands of persons engaged in the junks for the transport of mulberry, cocoons, and raw silk from the producing districts to Canton for market or export shipments are also affected by the present strike. Since April 13th, practically all silk filatures have had to stop operations because of the demands of the strikers, for an increase of 20 to 40 per cent. in wages, which the employers are now unable to grant. Reelers these days are receiving 40 cents to \$1.20 daily, according to grade of work performed.

THE YAM-DYING INDUSTRY.

The yam-dyeing industry, providing work for many hundred thousand men and women in villages and towns west of Canton City, particularly those around Yampo along the Canton-Samsui Railroad, cannot be resumed this spring of 1925, because of the unwillingness of the Yunnanese troops occupying the territory to withdraw their war tax on the products. Yam dyed cloth weaved by natives is very popular and much used by the farming and the coolie class. In late years, the import of foreign cloth has made this native product less popular, and further taxation with frequent demands on the part of the labourers for higher wages has prohibited the development of this one-time flourishing industry near Canton. Until the return of normal conditions, owners of some of the factories have thought it best to stop operations.

THE LUXURY TAXES.

Canton authorities have assured the merchants dealing in goods regarded as luxuries that they will reconsider the recent mandate levying stamp taxes on their sales. Since April 15th many trade and commercial guilds have suspended business as a protest against the new tax.

MILITARY LEVY ON SHIPPING.

The Yunnanese troops at the Maeso Forts are stated to be demanding an extra port fee of \$100 every time a native vessel goes to or comes from Canton. Many vessels were interfered with on April 13th, when they took exceptions to the extra unlawful levy.

CHUNG SHAN FOR KWANGTUNG.

Followers of Dr. Sun Yat Sen, led by the Lun Yee Seamen's Club of Hongkong, have suggested to the Central Executive Committee of the Kuomintang in Canton to substitute the name of Chung Shan, by which Dr. Sun was known among the Chinese, for Kwangtung, the native province of Dr. Sun.

TAXING TEA DRINKING.

Failing to collect a special tax on kerosene and luxuries without opposition, the Canton Commissariat of Finance is proposing to impose a war tax on tea drinking in the public tea houses. It is desired to farm out this tax for collection at an upset payment of \$25,000 for six months.

FURNITURE—

Those who would imbue their surroundings with charm will derive much inspiration from a visit to our showrooms before making purchases—All work in this Branch is carried out under European Supervision.

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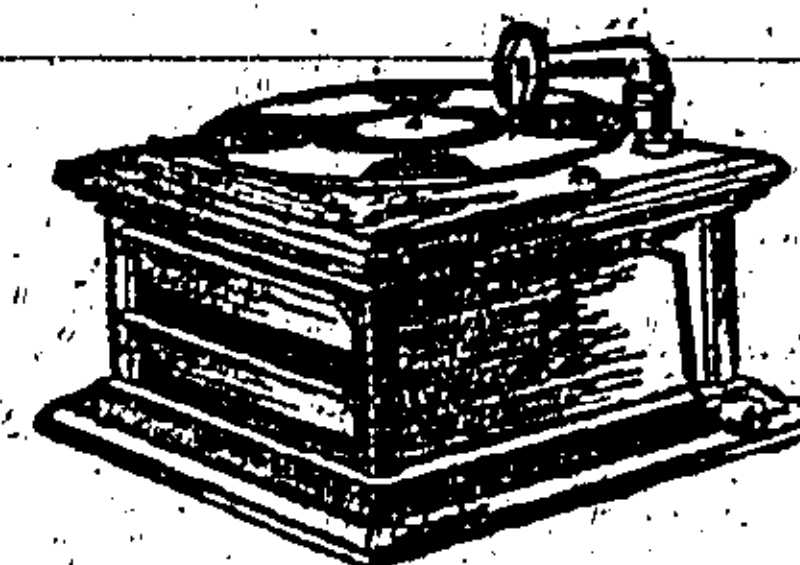
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YOKOHAMA SPECIE BANK, LIMITED.
Dated 17th April, 1925. [2119]

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POSSESSION 1st JUNE, "KELLET MAROR" being No. 155, Mount KELLET.
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MR. H. PERCY SMITH,
8, Des Voeux Road Central. [2118]

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

OCEAN STEAMSHIP CO., LTD.
AND
CHINA MUTUAL STEAM NAVIGATION CO., LTD.

FROM NEW YORK via MANILA.

CONSIGNEES per Company's Steamer "CALOCHAS" are hereby notified that the Cargo will be discharged into Holt's Wharf, Kowloon, where it will be at Consignees' risk and subject to Terms and Conditions of Storage at Holt's Wharf. The Cargo will be ready for delivery from Godown on and after 18th April. Optional Cargo will be landed, unless Notice has been given prior to Steamer's arrival. All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on any Tuesdays and Fridays between the hours of 10.45 a.m. and Noon within the free storage period. No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Steamer's Godown, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 22nd April, will be subject to Rent. All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the Underwriter on or before the 6th May, or they will not be recognized. No Fire Insurance will be effected. BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents. Hongkong, 16th April, 1925. [2115]

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FROM MIDDLESBROUGH, LONDON AND STRAITS.
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"GLEN" LINE, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.
FROM UNITED KINGDOM AND STRAITS.

THE Motor Vessel "GLENAPP" having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo by her are hereby informed that all Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, where they will be examined on any Tuesdays and Fridays between the hours of 10.45 a.m. and Noon within the free storage period. No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 20th inst., will be subject to Rent. All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the Underwriter on or before the 6th May, or they will not be recognized. No Fire Insurance will be effected. JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LTD., Agents. Hongkong, 14th April, 1925. [2101]

INTIMATIONS

NOTICE.

WE have THIS DAY Authorized Mr. R. SCHMIDT to Sign for Our Firm in Hongkong for Procurement.
CARLOWITZ & CO.,
Bank of China Building,
Hongkong, 16th April, 1925. [2102]

NOTICE.

MR. ISAIAS FRANCISCO DA ROCHA will be in Charge of Our Office during the absence of Mr. CARL E. KOEHLER.
A. B. THE SWEDISH TRADING CO.,
FIL IN CHINA, LTD.,
Hongkong, 14th April, 1925. [2103]

NOTICE.

I have started Business from Date as Share and General Broker, under the Style and Firm Name of EDWARDS & CO., at the Bank of Canton Building, No. 6, Des Voeux Road Central.
MR. LEWIS A. TORIAS, has Full Power to deal in My Name and also Signs for the Firm for Procurement.
H. E. EDWARDS,
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NOTICE.

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The Auctioneer,
China Building, Hongkong.
Queen's Road Central, Hongkong. [2111]

S.S. "ANDRE' LEBON."

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

NOTICE.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo from MARSEILLE, etc., and also Cargo from BOUL-DEAUX ex S.S. "VILLE DE METZ", in connection with above Steamer are hereby informed that their Goods with the exception of Opium, Treasure and Valuables are being landed and stored at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained immediately after landing. Optional Cargo will be forwarded on unless Intimation is received from the Consignees before Noon, To-day, requesting it to be landed here. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the Underwriter. Goods remaining undelivered after Monday, the 20th instant, at Noon, will be subject to Rent and Landing Charges. All Claims must be sent in to me on or before Wednesday, the 22nd instant, or they will not be recognized. All damaged Packages will be examined on Saturday, the 18th instant, at 10 a.m., by Messrs. Goddard & Douglas. No Fire Insurance has been effected. R. RODENFUSER, Agent. Hongkong, 13th April, 1925. [2098]

LLOYD TRIESTINO S.M. CO.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

The Steamship "DUCHESSE D'AOSTA" FROM TRIESTE, VENICE, BRINDISI, PORT SAID, MASSAUA, ADEN, COLOMBO, PENANG, SINGAPORE.

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INTIMATIONS

CHINA UNDERWRITERS, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that THE FIRST ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS OF CHINA UNDERWRITERS, LIMITED, will be held in the Offices of Messrs. SHAW, TONG & COMPANY, St. George's Building, Chater Road, Hongkong, on SATURDAY, the 29th DAY OF APRIL, 1925, at 11.30 o'clock in the forenoon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Managers and a Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1924, and of Electing a Consulting Committee and Auditors. The REGISTER of SHARES of the Company will be CLOSED from WEDNESDAY, April 15th, to SATURDAY, April 25th, both days inclusive. By Order of the General Managers, R. FARRANT, Manager and Secretary. Hongkong, 8th April, 1925. [2091]

CHINA PROVIDENT LOAN AND MORTGAGE CO., LTD.

THE TWENTY-EIGHTH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS in the Company will be held at the Offices of the Company, "St. George's Building, No. 6, Chater Road, on SATURDAY, the 27th DAY OF APRIL, 1925, at 11.30 A.M. for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the General Managers for the year ended the 31st December, 1924, and Electing a Consulting Committee and Auditors. The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from THURSDAY, the 16th APRIL, 1925, until MONDAY, the 27th APRIL, 1925, both days inclusive. SEEWAN, TOMES & CO., General Managers. Hongkong, 8th April, 1925. [2092]

LANE, CRAWFORD, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that THE THIRD ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Office of the Company, Royal Exchange, 1st Floor, Street, Hongkong, on WEDNESDAY, 29th APRIL, 1925, at Noon. The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from 20th APRIL, 1925, to 29th APRIL, 1925, both days inclusive. By Order of the Board of Directors, S. J. FORDAIN, Secretary. Hongkong, 14th April, 1925. [2113]

HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

DRAFT PROGRAMMES and ENTRY FORMS for the FOURTH EXTRA RACE MEETING to be held on SATURDAY, 2nd MAY, 1925 (weather permitting), may be obtained at the RACE COMMISSAR, HONGKONG CLUB and CASINO, RACE STABLES. Entries will close at 12 o'clock Noon on SATURDAY, 18th APRIL, 1925. [2093]

HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

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SALENICKER.—At Shanghai, on April 10th, N. MEYER SALENICKER, father of Mrs. Max Dietrich, aged 67 years.

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The Daily Press.

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The total rainfall for the year is now

20.82 inches (up to 10 a.m. yesterday), against an average of 26.00 inches.

The Manila Observatory yesterday at

11.30 a.m. reported a typhoon in about 128 degrees Long. E., 12 degrees Lat. N., moving North.

The Sacred Heart School's second

annual athletic sports are to be held at the Hongkong Football Club ground on Sunday, the 16th inst. Mrs. R. H. Kotewall will distribute the prizes.

The inauguration ceremony of the 14th

and 15th Hongkong Troops of Boy Scouts, of the South China Athletic Association, will take place at Sookunpo ground, on Sunday next.

Mons. J. Ch. General for Belgium in

the Consulate-General promoted to the rank of Consul-General of Belgium.

The return of notifiable diseases for

the 24 hours ended on April 15th shows 1 case of diphtheria and 3 cases of cerebro-spinal fever, all Chinese.

Captain James Simpson Stevenson, the

last of the foreign members of the Pilots' Association of Japan, has just retired. Since 1904 he has been an inland Sea pilot. In recent years he had been the regular pilot of the Empress liners.

The Rev. A. D. Stewart will conduct a

series of Bible Studies at the Helena May Institute on Friday mornings. The first will be on Friday, 17th, at 10.30 a.m. The meeting is open to all women.—Adv.

The marriage of Alfred Hazel Rigg,

Levant Consular Service, and Mary Eileen, youngest daughter of the late Dr. J. H. Lowry, of Pakhoi, China, and Mrs. R. B. Hunter, of Belfast, will take place shortly after Easter at Athens.

An engagement is announced between

Paymaster-Commander George William Watson, R.N., H.M.S. Despatch, and Irene Frances, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Alex. G. Parker, of 33, Elsworth Road, Hampstead. The wedding will take place at Wei-hai-wei early in June.

Thirty-two free, primary schools were

opened in Canton on the 14th inst. The Canton Gazette states. These schools are a new link in the public school system of the city and more than four thousand children have been registered for admission. A sum of \$20,000 from the aerated waters tax will be devoted to the upkeep of the new schools.

The Canton Gazette states that, due

to the exchange shops combining, to advance the rate of exchange coin, the Hongkong notes and subsidiary coin, the tendency towards an increasing rate, continues, the highest rate touched being 31.5 per cent. Copper coins, owing to illicit smuggling, have become cheaper, 100 pieces being the equivalent of a dollar.

While travelling from Shanghai, to

Hankow on April 8th, Mr. D. F. Stark, of the International Banking Corporation, fell between the couplings of two carriages while the train was in motion, receiving injuries which necessitated amputations at the Haogchow hospital, following which he died. At the Coroner's inquest held on April 15th, a verdict was returned that the deceased came to his death by accident.

Among the passengers leaving by the

Empress of Australia to-day is Captain R. A. Biss, who has been in the service of the Hongkong, Canton & Macao Steamship Co. since 1902. He is retiring on pension and is proceeding to his native city of Montreal. For many years past Captain Biss has been master of the ship "An. running to, Macao, and was in charge of the ship on the memorable occasion of the audacious piracy, little more than two years ago, when a large gang of armed pirates, travelling in the guise of passengers, took possession of the vessel while she was on the voyage from Macao to Hongkong. Killed by the Indian guards shot down the bridge, and then robbing the passengers of all their money and valuables. Captain Biss narrowly escaped with his life as one of the pirates, as he lay helpless on the deck, suggested throwing him overboard. Fortunately, he was dissuaded from his purpose by a huge humane pirate, and, after treatment in hospital for many weeks, Captain Biss was able to resume command of the ship. On account of that experience he never again would have done. Captain Biss leaves with the good wishes of a host of friends he has made as an old resident of Hongkong, and particularly among the large number of people who have travelled on his ship between the two ports. He is accompanied on the voyage home by his wife and youngest daughter.

NEW COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF.

Vice-Admiral Sir Edwyn Alexander-Sinclair, K.C.B., C.B., M.V.O., J.P., D.L., who has been appointed to succeed Vice-Admiral Sir Alban Everell, K.C.M.G., K.C.V.O., C.B., as Commander-in-Chief on the China Station, was born in 1837, second son of the late Captain John Hobhouse Inglis Alexander, R.N., C.B.

He married in 1862 Miss Julia Margaret,

third daughter of the late Colonel Charles Vereker Hamilton Campbell, of Retherplace, Ayrshire. He assumed the additional name of Sinclair in 1876, was in command of Osborne Naval College from 1894-1898, commanded the Third Light Cruiser Squadron from 1897-1899; was Admiral-Superintendent at Portsmouth Dockyard 1899-1902.

Sir Edwyn served throughout the Euro-

pean War, and was present at the battle of Jutland Bank, in 1916 (despatches twice, K.C.B., C.B., Croix de Guerre, 3rd Class Order of St. Vladimir, with two bars). Sir Edwyn was promoted to Vice-Admiral in 1922.

Sir Edwyn and Lady Alexander-Sinclair

have two sons and one daughter. They have two homes in Scotland—one at Dunbath Castle, Caithness; and the other at South Barr, Renfrew.

CABLES.

LATEST CABLES.
[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

AIRSHIP ADRIFT.

R.33 BREAKS FROM MAST
AT PULHAM.

London, April 16th.—The airship R.33 broke from her mooring-mast at Pulham at 10 o'clock this morning during a gale. There are six men aboard. She was seen over Oulton Broad, near Lowestoft, and seemed to be attempting to combat the wind. She was last reported as heading towards London.

LATER.

The R.33 passed over Lowestoft, followed by a force south-westerly gale. The propellers were working; the mooring ropes were hanging down and lashing about. The ship proceeded to the north-eastward, right out to sea, and was soon lost to sight in the distance.

The fishery protection gun-boat *Gedalia*, which was moored in the harbour at Lowestoft, and the motor life-boat *Agnes Cross* immediately put to sea and went at full speed in the same direction. They soon also disappeared in the thick rain.

It is now stated that the R.33 had 20 men aboard and two days' supply of petrol. She passed over Lowestoft to seaward, flying erratically.

The Air Ministry announces that the R.33 has been communicating by wireless with Pulham. The ship has been instructed to attempt to proceed as far as possible in a northerly course, in order to be able to return to Pulham or Cardington with the wind, which, by evening, will probably have veered to the northwards.

The latest report indicates that the airship is near Yarmouth.

LATER.

The R.33 was last seen heading out to sea with nose damaged or missing.

[A London telegram of April 2nd stated that the airship R.33 flew from Cardington, where it has been locked up for four years, to Pulham aerodrome this morning. It will undergo special tests at Pulham with the object of perfecting a type of airship adaptable to regular air service to the Dominions.]

GERMAN DISARMAMENT.

MARSHAL FOCH'S REPORT ON
VARIOUS DEFAULTS.

Paris, April 16th.—According to *Le Matin*, Marshal Foch's report on German disarmament, which has been communicated to the Conference of Ambassadors, mentions various German defaults. It gives details of a plan for the disarmament of Germany, which is considered necessary to assure the security of the Allies.

Marshal Foch obtained the opinions of the highest Allied military leaders, including Generals Delany and Degoutte, who urged the necessity of demanding a strict application of the Treaty.

General Delany produced documentary evidence of the continuous progress of German aviation and mentioned factories in countries adjacent to Germany, constructing a disturbing amount of aviation material. He emphasised the danger of landing grounds near the French frontier. He stated all German war plants were at present training at aerodromes or employed in commercial aviation.

SQUALLS SEEN AHEAD.

General Degoutte prophesied that in 1925, when Germany will have to make real payments under the Dawes plan, will be a period of extreme tension between France and the revengeful elements in Germany.

PRIEST USSAS.

SENTENCED TO IMPRISONMENT
BY LENINGRAD COURT.

Moscow, April 16th.—The Leningrad Court has sentenced the priest, Ussas, to 8 years' imprisonment, on a charge of assaulting women in the course of his official duties as a member of the Polish Repatriation Commission. Accused of demand, to be handed over to the Polish Authorities, was dismissed on the ground that the Polish Government recognised the competence of the Soviet Court.

THE RED ARMY.

BIG REDUCTION IN RANKS SINCE
PRE-WAR DAYS.

Moscow, April 16th.—The Rosta News Agency states, that at the session of the Georgian Soviets, at Tiflis, M. Frunze declared that the Red Army consists of 562,000 men compared to the 1,500,000 pre-war Tsarist Army. Forty-one out of every 10,000 Russians are soldiers, while in other European states the average was 100.

LATEST CABLES.

FRENCH POLITICAL CRISIS.
M. PAINLEVÉ PROCEEDS WITH
CABINET BUILDING.

M. CAILLAUX STILL HANGS BACK.

Paris, April 16th.—M. Painlevé is proceeding with the formation of his Cabinet, although it is officially denied that any Ministers have yet been appointed.

Meantime, M. Painlevé has met M. Caillaux and is reported to have offered him the portfolio of Finance. But M. Caillaux's postponed decision in reply to the invitation has caused much stir in the Chamber and lobbies.

The Socialist National Council, while resolving to support the Painlevé Government, has at present turned down the views of the section, which considered the Socialists ought to participate ministerially. This decision, however, is not regarded as final.

FORECAST OF CABINET.

Paris, April 16th.—Notwithstanding the official contradiction that any portfolio has been allotted, the forecast of the new Ministry, current in political circles, anticipates the following formation:—

M. Painlevé—Premier and Minister of Public Instruction.
M. Briand—Foreign Affairs.
M. Caillaux—Minister of Finance.
M. De Monzie—Minister of Justice.
General Nollet—Minister of War.

Messieurs Caillaux, Malvy and De Monzie conferred with M. Painlevé until 2.30 this morning.

M. Caillaux, subsequently questioned, went no further than saying that the financial problem, which had been under discussion, was too serious to be settled in an hour. He would meet the Governor of the Banque de France this morning and obtain certain information, particularly with regard to the state of the Treasury.

It is concluded from the duration of the midnight Conference that a rather serious difference of opinion arose and that fresh conversations will be held this morning.

Le Matin gives currency to the report that M. Poincaré created a great impression by declaring in the Senate lobby that the selection of M. Caillaux would be a challenge to the Senate.

EARLIER CABLES.

M. PAINLEVÉ ACCEPTS.

Paris, April 16th.—M. Painlevé has agreed to form a Cabinet.

M. Painlevé, President of the Chamber, was Premier in 1917, and he has been Minister for War. He is a famous mathematician and scientist.

M. Painlevé has asked M. Caillaux to come to Paris immediately. It is understood that M. Painlevé intends to offer M. Caillaux the portfolio of Finance Minister, and that he will endeavour to form a Cabinet with M. Briand, Herriot and Caillaux as its backbone.

SAFETY FLYING.

DEMONSTRATIONS ARE GIVEN
AT CROYDON.

London, April 16th.—Many aircraft constructors, pilots and officials of the Air Ministry witnessed at Croydon a demonstration of safety flying by the famous Fokker generator Fokker-Napier machine and by Flight-Lieut. Bulham in a single-seater Avro machine.

The tests showed that when an aeroplane stalled owing to lack of flying speed and tilted downwards preparatory to nose-diving the pilot retained control; the machine did not nose-dive but merely sank a short distance. It is claimed that the Fokker machine is so built that it will not stall under the most unfavourable conditions.

The Avro machine was fitted with the Handley-Page slotted control, consisting of auxiliary planes on the outer portion of the wings, and the closing of the slots between these planes is claimed to give full control.

Sir Sefton Brancker, after the tests, flew in the Fokker, and he expressed the opinion that the developments will eliminate 50 per cent. of the accidents which are now occurring.

KING AND QUEEN.

THEIR MAJESTIES EXPECTED
HOME THIS MONTH.

London, April 16th.—It is officially announced that Their Majesties King George and Queen Mary will return to London on the 25th inst. Prince George, who is cruising with his parents, has recovered from his throat trouble, and is returning to London on the 7th inst., to complete his preparations to join the British Squadron on the China station, and is starting for the Far East about the end of April.

BANQUE DE FRANCE.
DEPUTIES PASS BILL FOR NEW
NOTE ISSUE.

Paris, April 16th.—The Chamber of Deputies overwhelmingly adopted the Bill mentioned yesterday legalising the Banque de France's issue of four milliards of francs.

The Senate approved a similar Bill by 183-2 votes. One hundred Senators abstained from voting.

ACCIDENTALLY SHOT.

LADY MARIAN CAMERON HAS
MISADVENTURE.

Palermo, April 15th.—Lady Marian Cameron, daughter of Lord Huntingdon, accidentally shot herself in the lung while unloading a revolver at the hotel where she is staying, but her condition is not dangerous. His Majesty King George, who is at present in Palermo, sent his physician, Sir Stanley Hewitt, to attend Lady Cameron.

PRINCE OF WALES.

RECEIVES GREAT OVATION AT
LAGOS.

Lagos, April 15th.—The Prince of Wales had a deafening welcome from Nigeria, the quays and beach being black with shouting and waving throngs.

The Prince of Wales entrained for Kano, near the French West African frontier, where the temperature is 110 in the shade.

KURD REBEL CAPTURED.

SHEIK SAID IN HANDS OF THE
TURKS.

Constantinople, April 15th.—It is reported that the Sheik Said, leader of the Kurdish revolt, has been captured.

It is officially announced that Sheik Said has been captured. He had already been sentenced to death in contumace.

[Sheik Said was the leader of the revolt in Turkish Kurdistan. The mountain clans in the area where Sheik Said's influence is strongest, do not understand Turkish, and only speak Zaza and obey the orders of the chiefs, who are widely inter-related by marriage.]

FOOTBALL AT HOME.

LATEST RESULTS OF GAMES IN
LEAGUES.

London, April 15th.—In the first division of the English League, Cardiff City defeated Blackburn Rovers by three goals to nil.

In the Scottish League, Kilmarnock defeated Celtic by two goals to one, and St. Mirren defeated Dundee by two goals to nil.

LATEST CABLES.

REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.

TRAFFIC IN ARMS.

MR. BURTON HEADS AMERICAN
DELEGATION TO GENEVA.

Washington, April 16th.—Mr. Theodore Burton, Member of the House of Representatives, has left for Geneva as head of the American delegation to the conference on the international control of the traffic in arms. Other delegates will sail on Saturday.

The American Government is hopeful of definite and practical results from the conference. It is anxious to co-operate to the fullest in obtaining practical measures for the curtailment of arms' shipments.

Mr. Burton and his colleagues have exhaustively studied the draft convention of the League of Nations, which will form the basis of discussion at Geneva. They consider it contains many features acceptable to America, but in other respects will require considerable modification.

The American delegates are satisfied it will be impossible entirely to stop international traffic in arms and are of opinion that the plan of the League Committee, for licensing shipments, is the only method for satisfactorily curbing the traffic.

WHEAT YIELDS.

OFFICIAL FIGURES OF CANADA
AND THE ARGENTINE.

Ottawa, April 16th.—The official Bulletin of the Statistics Bureau, states that 262,000,000 bushels of last year's wheat crop in Canada were of merchantable quality, and 131,000,000 bushels remained in Canada, on March 31st, compared to 202,000,000 on March 31st, 1924.

A message from Buenos Aires gives the official forecast for this year's wheat crop as 5,201,000 tons. Figures for exportable stocks of wheat are 1,845,000 tons.

EARLIER CABLES.

U.S. AMBASSADOR.

MR. HOUGHTON LEAVES FOR
LONDON POST.

New York, April 16th.—Mr. Houghton, accompanied by his daughter, has left for England to assume his duties as Ambassador to the Court of St. James's.

Mr. Houghton declined to be interviewed, merely stating that he realised the necessity for maintaining friendly relations between the English-speaking people.

FAR EASTERN CABLE
NEWS.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

JAPAN'S NAVAL ARMAMENT.

ALARMIST ARTICLES PUBLISHED
IN LONDON JOURNAL.

London, April 16th.—The *Daily Express* publishes to-day alarmist articles, drawing attention to Japan's naval armaments.

A special correspondent describes the extent of the 1923-1926 programme, as consisting of 22 warships, which he considers nothing more nor less than an unostentatious preparation for war.

A leading article in the *Daily Express* insists that Japan is arming herself against eventualities; and in this connection refers to Japan-American political and geographical rivalries.

ALARMS ARE DISCOUNTED.

The *Daily News*'s naval correspondent, however, heavily discounts the foregoing. He states, on the highest authority, that there is no foundation for the supposed new programme of construction.

C-IN-C. CHINA STATION.

H.E. VICE-ADMIRAL SIR EDWYN
ALEXANDER-SINCLAIR.

London, April 16th.—The Admiralty announces that the date of the appointment of Vice-Admiral Sir Edwyn Alexander-Sinclair to the China Station as Commander-in-Chief is April 15th.

RELIEF FOR H.M.S. "DIOMEDE."

H.M.S. *Vindictive* will leave Sheerness for Portsmouth on April 27th, to prepare to relieve H.M.S. *Diomedé* on the China Station.

CONSIGNMENT OF ARMS.

CARGO ON GERMAN STEAMER IS
MERELY DETAINED.

Shanghai, April 16th.—The Chinese Maritime Customs state that the arms, mentioned yesterday as having been seized on board the German steamer *R. C. Rickmers*, were not seized but merely detained.

The *China Press* explains the removal of the cargo from the vessel was largely due to a misunderstanding, owing to the Customs being closed, on account of the Easter Holidays.

[Wednesday's cable read:—The *China Press* reports that 8,000 Mauser pistols and 1,400,000 rounds of ammunition, valued between six and eight hundred thousand dollars, are alleged to have been seized in a raid on the German steamer *R. C. Rickmers*, by local Customs officials on Monday morning. The *R. C. Rickmers* arrived here on Sunday from Dairen.]

FOOTBALL IN SHANGHAI.

COMBINED PORTUGUESE TEAM
WIN AGAINST THE "REST."

Shanghai, April 16th.—In the replay, to-day, of the Association football match between Hongkong and Shanghai Portuguese against the "Rest" of Shanghai, the Portuguese won by 2 goals to 1. Rocha and Gassano were the Portuguese scorers.

JAPAN'S NAVAL CHANGES.

VICE-ADMIRAL ABO IS POSTED
TO KURE ARSENAL.

Tokyo, April 16th.—Among the other changes announced to-day, Vice-Admiral Mifu Osuni succeeds Vice-Admiral Abo as Vice-Minister of the Navy, and the latter becomes Commander at Kure.

RUSSIA AND JAPAN.

EXCHANGE OF NEW TREATY
DOCUMENTS ARRANGED.

Peking, April 16th.—Arrangements have been made for the exchange of documents relating to the ratification of the Russo-Japanese Treaty at five o'clock this afternoon.

(Continued on next Column.)

POLITICAL SITUATION
IN CHINA.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

CHINA'S NEW LOAN.

PEKING FOREIGN OFFICE REPLY
TO LEGATIONS.

Peking, April 16th.—The Foreign Office, in replying to the protest from the Legations, dated March 16th, cites as precedent the sinking fund for the third and fourth year public loans. It declares that when the Customs duties are disbursed in accordance with precedent, the Chinese Government is not bound to seek the concurrence of anyone.

[A Peking cable, dated March 16th stated that: Britain and America have followed the example of France in protesting against the flotation of the proposed loan. Their Notes emphasised that the Customs revenues which were hypothecated for a special charge should, when the charge no longer exists, become part of the ordinary customs surplus and should not be used for security for fresh obligations.]

[FROM THE "DAILY BULLETIN."]

UNREST IN SHENSI.

CRITICAL SITUATION IS ONCE
MORE REPORTED.

Peking, April 15th.—It is understood that a somewhat critical situation exists between Wu Hsin Tien, associate director of military affairs in Shensi, who has been maintaining control during Liu Chen Hua's absence, and the late Hu Ching Yi's staff.

It is reported that Tien Yu Chieh, who was one of the late Hu Ching Yi's subordinate Generals, is starting for Shensi.

It is feared that Wu Hsin Tien may attempt forcibly to oppose his entry.

TUPAN OF SHANTUNG.

CHANG TSUNG CHANG MAY BE
APPOINTED.

Peking, April 15th.—According to the Chinese Press reports, Chang Tsung Lin has recommended Chang Tsung Chang as Tupan of Shantung.

SHANGHAI RATEPAYERS.

THE CHAIRMAN SHOWS SYMPATHY
FOR CHINA'S DIFFICULTIES.

Shanghai, April 15th.—The Chairman of the Shanghai Municipal Council, Mr. Fessenden, at the annual meeting of ratepayers, deplored the condition of China, while appreciating and sympathising with the country in its difficulties.

"Having overthrown the form of government to which she had been accustomed from the days when European governmental institutions were in their infancy, China now finds herself wandering into the bypaths of costly experiment. It is plain to us that the process of evolution in this country of a form of government which shall possess the advantage of stability and yet be suited to the peculiar genius of its people cannot be accomplished without much travail. We can only hope for that and possess our souls in patience, and hope that a suitable form of government will be established as early as possible, and end the state of chaos which now prevails around us. During the past year I have had a personal experience of this state of affairs, namely, in the warfare during last September and October."

STRANGER WITHIN THE GATE.

These disturbances necessitated a statement of our traditional policy towards the stranger within our gates. The fundamental policy of the Foreign Settlement consists in a scrupulous observance of neutrality, and while we afforded sanctuary of neutral territory to those who are peaceably inclined, we denied admittance to those whose presence imperilled the peace and good order of the Settlement, and in the latter we include political malcontents and those who used the security accorded by residence in the Foreign Settlements to foment plot and intrigue against the Chinese Government.

Mr. and Mrs. Tomkinson, missionaries of Shikhi Honan, have been released by the bandits who held the city when surrounded by Government troops sent to eradicate them, according to reports received in Shanghai by the China Inland Mission. The bandits had compelled Mr. Tomkinson to accompany them to negotiate terms with the leader of the attacking forces. The party proved unsuccessful.

The missionaries were forced to return within Shikhi's walls with his captors. Enraged at the failure to reach a compromise, for which they held Mr. Tomkinson responsible, the outlaws threatened to kill both Mr. and Mrs. Tomkinson should the Government soldiers take Shikhi. The Peking Foreign Office took up the matter and made representations to the General whose troops surround Shikhi. The Honan Tsuchin reassured Peking that he personally would take all steps for the safety of the missionaries and would hold himself personally responsible for foreign lives and property in the province.

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FRENCH CLERICAL MANIFESTO.

EXPLANATION BY CARDINAL
DUBOIS.

It would seem that, in view of the very mixed reception given to the declaration of the Cardinals and Archbishops of France against the so-called laws of laicity, some of the more moderate Catholics have thought it wise to shorten sail.

On March 15th in Notre Dame, in the presence of the Apostolic Nuncio and of the very large crowd which had been listening to a sermon by the eminent preacher Fern Sanzon, Cardinal Dubois, Archbishop of Paris, rose and read a statement intended "to place the question on its proper ground."

The Archbishop began this "postscript" as he called it, by emphasising the fact that the Vatican had nothing whatever to do with the declaration, and that the Nuncio had only heard of it through the Press. But it was to be remembered that a series of Popes had condemned the laws of laicity. In the first place, continued Cardinal Dubois, the declaration was not a declaration of war. It was not of a political nature. He protested loudly against the accusation that the Church desired to upset the Republic.

What, then, asked Cardinal Dubois, was the declaration? It was a simple lesson in the Catechism. It was a thesis of dogmatic and moral theology on laws in general and on the laws of laicity in particular. It recalled the condemnation of these laws expressed by the Church. The motives which lay at the bottom of the laws of laicity were that because they disregarded the laws of God relating to society, institutions, the family and individuals. They interfered with the liberty of Christian education. They did not recognize the rights of Catholics, of the clergy, and especially of the religious congregations. They were anti-religious laws—weapons turned against religion at a time when the French did not love one another.

"The Cardinals and Archbishops," added Cardinal Dubois, "are consequently justified in calling for the re-passing, revision and even repeal of these laws. To tell that to the faithful, to enlighten and to form their consciences, is our mission and our duty. We must preach the truth, and in doing so, we are at serving religion and the public good."

The declaration was a doctrinal instruction, both theoretical and practical. He called upon the faithful to remain united in truth and charity. The words of Cardinal Dubois were received with applause—an applause which seldom happens in Notre Dame.

It may be mentioned that during Fern Sanzon's sermon the loud-speakers recently installed in Notre Dame were in operation for the first time. The effect was good at a distance but in the choir was phonographic and unpleasant.

The Press continues to devote much space to this unfortunate business. *Le Temps* says that Cardinal Dubois' commentary on the resounding declaration of the Cardinals and Archbishops was equally unexpected, necessary and happy. "Everything in the declaration that was harsh, peremptory, despotic and, if we may say so, out of place, is reduced, watered down and adjusted to this personal statement." Probably a greater number of the ecclesiastical authorities themselves, the clergy and Catholics generally, agree in their hearts with Cardinal Dubois.

The declaration, perhaps the work of two or three prelates, particularly hostile to the Republic rather than of the whole body [this conjecture is very generally current in Paris] went too far for many Catholics. The greater part of these are opposed to the use of violence in the defence of their ideas. It was by no means unnecessary for Cardinal Dubois to state that the declaration has no political character.

The *Journal des Debats* says that it never believed that the inspiration of the document came from Rome. But it says—what is somewhat surprising in view of the attitude of the rest of the Press, to say nothing of the text of the document itself—that it always regarded the declaration as not political, but strictly religious in character, and it rejoices to learn from the lips of Cardinal Dubois that it was right.

A TROPHY OF QUEBEC.

SHIELD TO BE RETURNED BY
HASTINGS.

Hastings Town Council has decided to send back to Quebec the shield which was taken from the gates of that city when it was captured in 1759. The trophy was presented to Hastings by General Murray, who was with General Wolfe when the city fell.

Many attempts have been made in the past to persuade Hastings to part with the trophy, but all had been rejected. At a recent meeting, however, the Town Clerk read letters from the High Commissioner of Canada and the Mayor of Quebec asking for the return of the shield as a grateful act towards the town, and Colonel Viscount Willington also wrote offering to act as emissary from Hastings to convey personally the shield to Quebec and hand it over to the Council of that city.

By a large majority the Council decided to send the shield back, and the matter of arrangements with Viscount Willington to convey it to Canada was left in the hands of the Mayor and Town Clerk.

The shield has been in the possession of the Hastings Corporation for 176 years. A replica of the shield will be made in Canada and sent to Hastings in place of the original.

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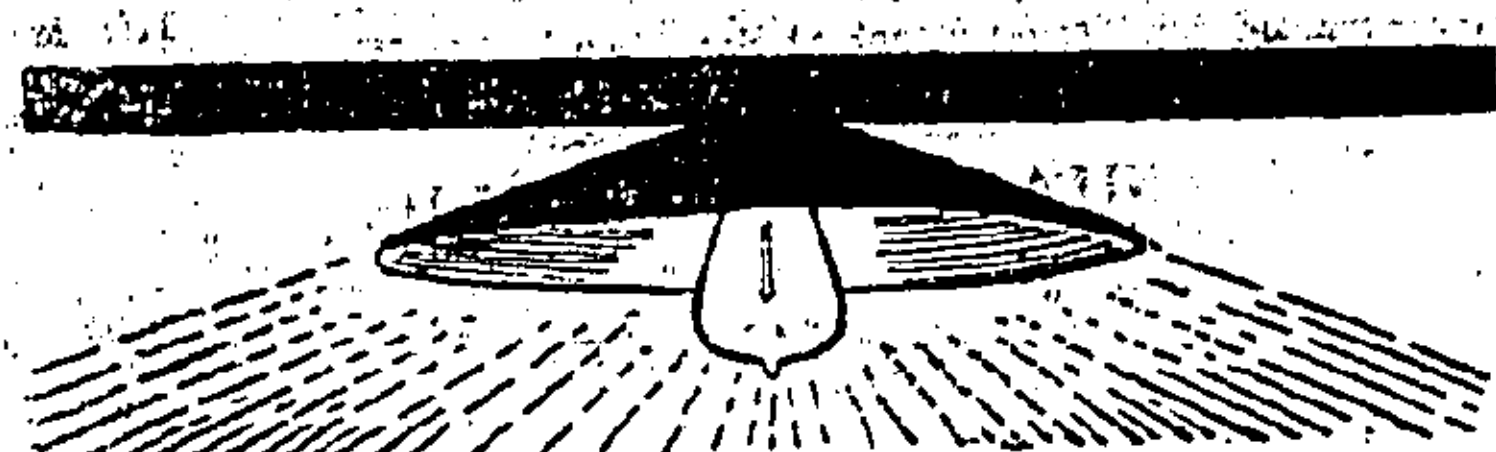
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PACIFIC MAIL SHIPS.

A SAN FRANCISCO COMMENT.

The following Washington despatch was published in the San Francisco Call on the eve of the Shipping Board's Award of the ships now run by the Pacific Mail Company to the Dollar syndicate:

Washington, March 17th.

The closing chapters were being written to-day in a battle of giant shipping interests for preferential rights in the awakening Asiatic market.

Officials of the Dollar and Pacific Mail steamship lines were preparing for the final showdown in the financial poker game which will decide ownership of five President type liners now operated by the latter concern out of San Francisco.

Because the Pacific Mail is literally fighting with its back to the wall in the deal, according to many observers, relatively high bids are expected.
For half a century now the mail liners have been steaming across the Pacific, building up a name which to-day is known as familiarly as the Peninsular and Oriental, the "P. & O." of Rudyard Kipling's Indian tales.

Despite its other lines through the Panama Canal, the Pacific Mail is known largely through its transpacific business, and loss of the President ships, the backbone of its fleet, would be a serious blow, because of the relatively slight cost with which Shipping Board liners can be purchased as compared with bottoms bought on the open market.

The powerful Dollar Line, which recently shattered precedent and inaugurated a regular "around the world" freight and passenger schedule, with ample financial backing, is admittedly in the stronger position of the two.

The tremendous strides made by this organization in the past few years, due directly to the canny foresight of Capt. Robert Dollar, the 80-year-old Scotch-American shipping wizard, have been based largely on Asiatic shipping.

Regardless of the group which acquires control of the vessels, according to Commissioner Meyer Lissner, San Francisco will be the port of call, because of the Shipping Board policy of selling ships on condition that present sea lanes are maintained.

MENACE OF COMMUNISM.

TRANSPORT MINISTER'S GRAVE WARNING.

Addressing the members of the 1912 Club recently, at a meeting presided over by Mr. E. C. Grenfell, M.P., on "The Menace of Communism," Lieut.-Colonel the Right Hon. Wilfrid Ashley, M.P., Minister of Transport, said he thought there was a disposition on the part of some people to believe that the Communist danger was exaggerated and over-estimated.

A GRAVE MISTAKE.

"You may say," he went on, "that Communism is comparatively small in numbers and little known. To take such a view is, in my opinion, a grave mistake. Let me remind you that a quarter of a century ago we held much the same belief about Socialism. The trade unions were, until then, essentially industrial organizations for the protection of their members. They regulated wages and labour conditions, they looked after the widows and orphans, and after their members when they were ill or unemployed. They did not meddle in politics, and they had no political aims or ambitions. The Socialists, who at the time were still confined to the intellectual classes, were functioning chiefly through the Fabian Society and other organizations which were even weaker than the Communist party of to-day. They saw, however, that their only hope of obtaining political power, was through the trade unions of the country. They accordingly began carefully to plan a system of propaganda among the trade unions, and we see the fruits of their efforts to-day. They have succeeded in capturing for all practical purposes the whole of the trade union movement. They direct its policy and dominate its councils. They control its funds, and use them for Socialistic propaganda and for the development of their political power."

PERMEATING TRADE UNIONS.

The Communists in their turn, he went on, were following their example, and they had already obtained a larger success than many people thought in permeating the trade unions with their principles, and in securing for their representatives key positions in many of the most important trade unions. For example, Mr. A. J. Cook, secretary of the Miners' Federation, one of the most powerful unions in the country, was a declared Communist. Mr. Purcell, who was chairman of the Trades Union Congress at Hull last autumn, had frequently professed his admiration for the Russian revolution, as had also Mr. Ben Tillett and Mr. Fred Bramley, who was secretary to the trade union delegation recently returned from Russia. Only the other day Mr. Tom Mann, whose enthusiasm for Communism was well known, was selected head of the Executive Committee of the Trades Union Conference, which was now actively engaged in promoting unity between British and Russian trade unions. During the existence of the last Labour Government we had two striking examples of the power of the Communist section of the Labour party. That party professed to be opposed to Communism, and would not allow the Communist party to be affiliated to it. They did not permit Communists to stand as official Labour candidates, but at the General Election of 1923 nine members of the Communist party stood as Labour candidates, seven of them as official Labour candidates.

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WEATHER REPORT.

April 16th at 17.42.—Pressure has increased slightly over the extreme southern portion of the area, and decreased slightly to moderately elsewhere. The anticyclone probably continues to weaken and move eastward.

The depression or typhoon is situated more than 100 miles to the north of Yap, moving northward.

Manila warning: April 16th at 11.30.—2. Typhoon in Lat. 13 deg. N. Long. 128 deg. E., moving N. Recd. April 16th at 12.18.

Hongkong rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 4 hours, April 16th 0.99 inch. Total since January 1st, 20.91 inches, against an average of 8.68 inches.

The forecast for the 24 hours ending at 18 hours, April 17th is as follows:—

Forecast
Formosa Channel ... N. winds, fresh to moderate.
N. and N.E. winds, moderate, cloudy, occasional rain, improving.

Hongkong to Gap Road ... do.
South coast of China between Hongkong and Lamook ... do.
South coast of China between Hongkong and Hainan ... do.

HONGKONG METEOROLOGICAL REGISTER.

Hongkong Observatory, April 16th.

	Previous Day at 2 p.m.	On Date at 6 a.m.	On Date at 2 p.m.
Barometer ...	30.01	30.00	29.99
Temperature ...	60	58	60
Humidity ...	92	96	94
Wind Direction ...	E	E	Calm
Force ...	0	2	0
Weather ...	OR	C	CI
Rain ...	0.55	0.00	1.10
Highest open-air temperature on 16th ...	62		
Lowest open-air temperature on 16th ...	58		

HONGKONG TIDE TABLE.

From April 17th to 23rd, 1925.

Day of Week	Day of Month	High Water		Low Water	
		Time	Height	Time	Height
Fri.	17	6.37	4.4	9.31	1.1
Satur.	18	7.12	4.7	11.24	1.4
Sun.	19	7.39	5.0	0.55	1.3
Mon.	20	8.10	5.3	1.38	1.4
Tues.	21	8.28	5.6	1.32	1.4
Wed.	22	8.54	5.9	2.14	1.7
Thurs.	23	9.23	6.2	3.15	2.1

RESULTS NOW MANIFEST.

The results of the Communists having acquired positions of importance in the trade union movement had now become manifest. We were threatened in the coming summer with a great industrial upheaval which might include the railway workers, the metal workers, the engineers, and shipbuilders. Mr. Cook believed that if all these great unions were to go on strike at the same time they could force the employers to agree to all their demands. That was, however, not the only object Mr. Cook had in mind. As a Communist he believed in strikes as one of the most effective means of bringing about the "revolution," and it was while we were suffering from one of these internal commotions that the Communists saw their chance of destroying our present economic and political system. It was better to over-estimate than under-estimate the danger. As a people we suffered too much from a tendency to allow matters to drift, and not taking steps to meet a danger until it was upon us. But there were many signs that the danger was not exaggerated.

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SANDAKAN	"HINSANG"	Monday, 20th Apr.	Monday, 20th Apr.	Monday, 20th Apr.
HAIPHONG via HOIHOW	"MINGSANG"	Monday, 20th Apr.	Monday, 20th Apr.	Monday, 20th Apr.
ANTUNG via SWATOW & SHANGHAI	"LOKSANG"	Monday, 20th Apr.	Monday, 20th Apr.	Monday, 20th Apr.
BANGKOK via SWATOW	"YATSHANG"	Monday, 20th Apr.	Monday, 20th Apr.	Monday, 20th Apr.
MANILA	"YUENSANG"	Monday, 20th Apr.	Monday, 20th Apr.	Monday, 20th Apr.
STRAITS & CALCUTTA	"KUSANG"	Monday, 20th Apr.	Monday, 20th Apr.	Monday, 20th Apr.
TIENTSIN	"YUSANG"	Monday, 20th Apr.	Monday, 20th Apr.	Monday, 20th Apr.
TSINGTAU via SWATOW & SHANGHAI	"WOSANG"	Monday, 20th Apr.	Monday, 20th Apr.	Monday, 20th Apr.
SHANGHAI via SWATOW	"WAISHANG"	Monday, 20th Apr.	Monday, 20th Apr.	Monday, 20th Apr.
HAIPHONG via HOIHOW	"LEESANG"	Monday, 20th Apr.	Monday, 20th Apr.	Monday, 20th Apr.
TIENTSIN	"CHIESHANG"	Monday, 20th Apr.	Monday, 20th Apr.	Monday, 20th Apr.
BANGKOK via SWATOW	"HOPSANG"	Monday, 20th Apr.	Monday, 20th Apr.	Monday, 20th Apr.
STRAITS & CALCUTTA	"FOKSANG"	Monday, 20th Apr.	Monday, 20th Apr.	Monday, 20th Apr.
SANDAKAN	"MAUSANG"	Monday, 20th Apr.	Monday, 20th Apr.	Monday, 20th Apr.
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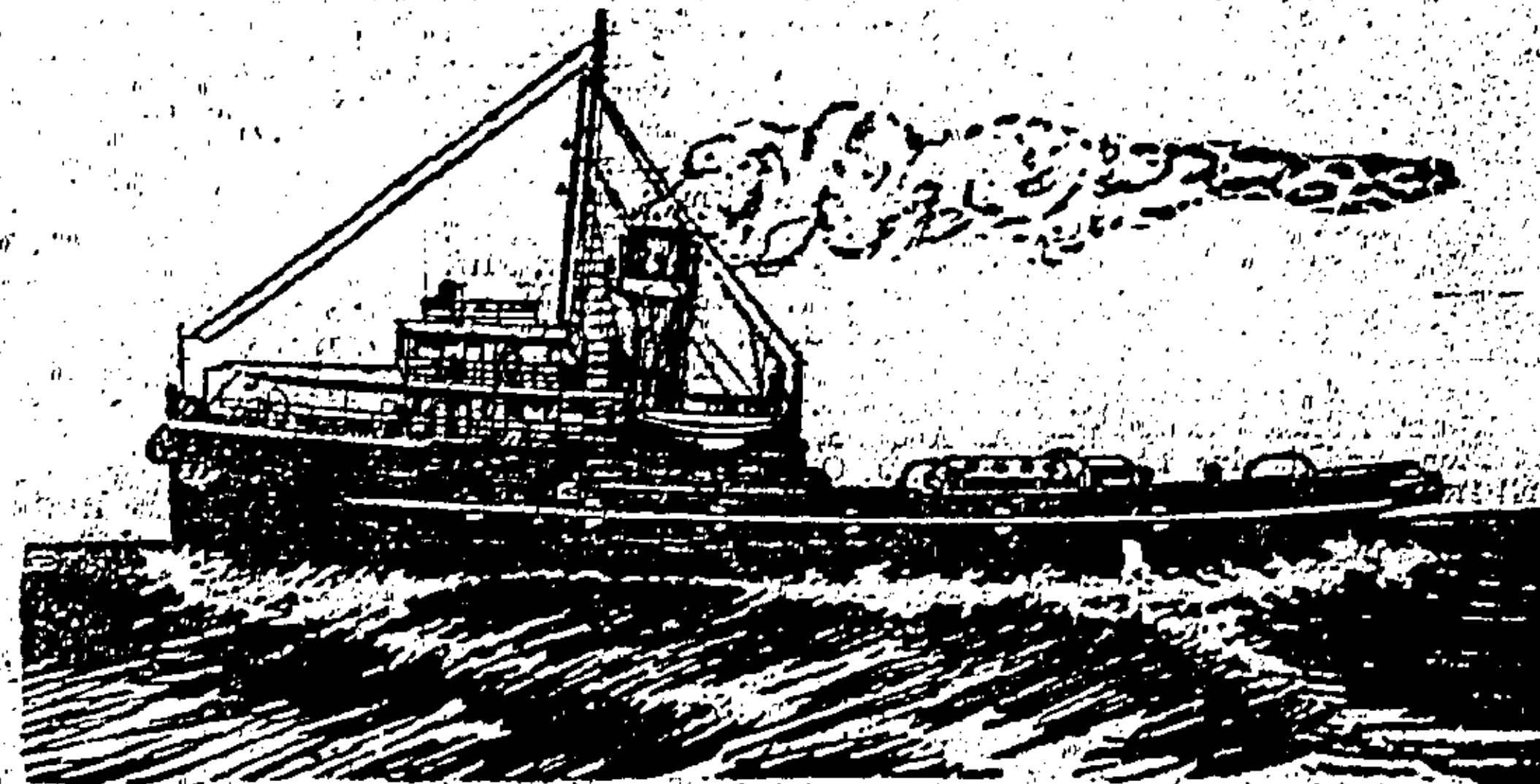
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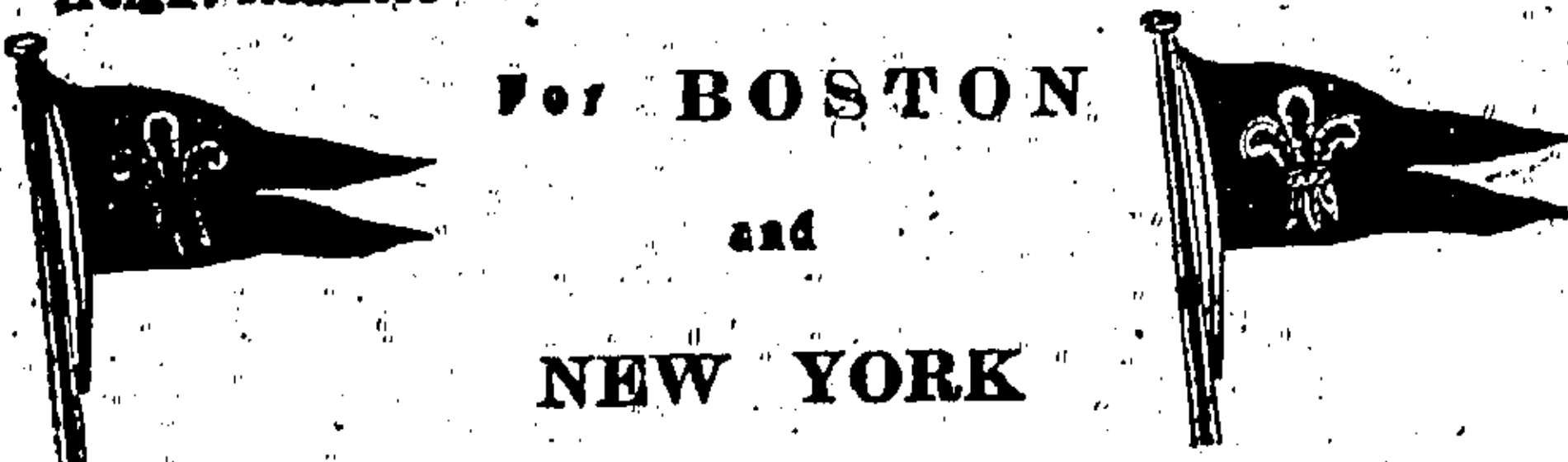
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SWATOW & BANGKOK	"KWANGCHOW"	On 18th Apr., 11 a.m.
SWATOW & SHANGHAI	"SOOCHOW"	On 19th Apr., 11 a.m.
AMOY & SHANGHAI	"SZECHUEN"	On 20th Apr., 3 p.m.
HOIHOW & SINGAPORE	"TEAN"	On 22nd Apr., 10 a.m.
SHANGHAI & TSINGTAO	"LINAN"	On 22nd Apr., 11 a.m.
SWATOW & SHANGHAI	"SHANTUNG"	On 23rd Apr., 11 a.m.
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